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Mr. Richard Krochalis, Regional
Administrator
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Federal Transit Administration,
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Federal Building, Suite 3142
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RE: 2001 - 2003 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)
Amendment # 15

Dear Mr. Krochalis:

The following minor amendment, which requires Federal Transit Authority (FTA) approval, is submitted for your consideration.

The **STIP** has been modified to reflect on going project changes during the current federal fiscal year and to maintain fiscal constraint. Only projects utilizing **FTA** funding have been modified.

None of these modifications require an Air Quality Conformity Determination, an Environmental Impact Statement or an Environmental Assessment, nor do they change the environmental requirements of any other projects.

The State certifies that all applicable provisions of the following laws have been met.

- 23 USC 135 and Section 8 of the Federal Transit Act,
- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964,
- Section 110 1 (b) of TEA-2 1 relating to Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in FHWA and FTA funded projects,
- Provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act,
- Provisions of 49 CFR part 20 regarding restrictions on influencing certain Federal Activities, and
- Section 174 and 176 of the Clean Water Act.

In addition, the State certifies that the following requirements have been met:

- That the STIP has been developed with public involvement as required by Section 450.2 12 of the Statewide Planning Regulations,
- That the STIP contains only projects consistent with the Alaska Statewide Transportation Plan (Vision: **2020**),
- That in nonattainment areas, the STIP contains only transportation projects found to conform, or from projects that conform, to the requirements contained in 40 CFR part 51,
- That the STIP is fiscally constrained by year,
- That the **STIP** contains a list of priority projects to be carried out in the first three years of the STIP,
- That the STIP meets the requirements of 23 CFR 2 16, and
- That the existing transportation system is being adequately maintained and operated.

With respect to the certifications mentioned and any corrections you may suggest, we request your approval of the amended 2001-2003 Alaska Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

Sincerely,



Joseph L. Perkins, P.E.
Commissioner

cc: Peter Serrano, Federal Highway Administration